

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A magneto-optical body comprising:
two dielectric multilayered films in each of which two types of dielectric thin films having different optical characteristics from each other are alternately laminated with each thereof regular in thickness, and
a magnetic thin film provided between the two dielectric multilayered films;
wherein one dielectric thin film of the two types has a refractive index different from a refractive index of other dielectric thin film.
2. The magneto-optical body according to Claim 1, wherein the one dielectric thin film has a refractive index of three or higher, and the other dielectric thin film has a refractive index of less than three.
3. The magneto-optical body according to Claim 1 or 2, wherein the one dielectric thin film is Si, and the other dielectric thin film is SiO₂.
4. An optical isolator comprising the magneto-optical body according to any one of Claims 1 to 3.